MISSION

CAFÉ CHURCH AT THE HUB@ST JOHN'S- Held on the first Friday of the month, 10.30am - 12noon. All are welcome to this informal gathering for coffee, cake, chit-chat and prayer

TRINITY TEAS - Held on the first Sunday of the month from 12noon until 4pm - selling delicious homemade lunches and afternoon teas. We look forward welcoming friends old and new.

MESSY VINTAGE CHURCH AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH HALL - Held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 11am. A new way of doing church differently. We have discussions on a variety of topics, creative expression, a short act of worship and celebration finished with a simple lunch. All are invited.

For all notices, news and what's going on in the Knaresborough Team Ministry pick up a copy of ACCORD Parish Magazine from the back of church for only £2!

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

This week's list of needs – Long-life fruit juice, Razors, Shampoo, Table Sauces, Instant Mash & Chocolate. The Knaresborough Foodbank is open every Wednesday for Food Collections (referral only) and donations, 10.30am until 12.30pm at Holy Trinity Church Hall. Donation can now be left in the collection box by the north door in St John's Church.

COMMUNITY STARS CAFÉ - Every Wednesday from 4th February at The HUB@St John's, 10.30am - 2pm, serving breakfasts and light lunches. *Community Stars main aims are to provide a range of events & community-based initiatives that provide volunteering opportunities for adults with Autism and Learning disabilities.*

PRAYER AND CARE

PASTORAL CARE PRAYER CHAIN - If you have a prayer request for the pastoral care team to pray through and would like it to be kept confidential and not shared publicly, please email Pam Thomas, the prayer chain coordinator, at pam1943@hotmail.co.uk or telephone 01423 864262.

PASTORAL CARE - TELEPHONE CALLS - Our Pastoral Telephone Team are still there to support you. If you, or anyone you know would like to receive a weekly 'phone call from our friendly team, please contact June on 07759 619780 or Anthea on 01423 797560

PASTORAL VISITS - If you would like a visit from one of the Clergy, or if you are aware of someone that you feel would benefit or appreciate a call or visit from a member of the Pastoral Visiting Team, then please contact us either via the office (01423 869209, Knaresboroughparishoffice@gmail.com) or direct Revd Garry (07759 614032, garry.hinchcliffe@leeds.anglican.org), Revd Lisa (07526 769193, lisa.holland@leeds.anglican.org.

HOLY COMMUNION WITHIN OUR CARE HOMES - Did you know that we also take monthly services in the 3 care homes within our parish? Thistle Hill holds a service on the second Tuesday of the month at 11am, all are welcome, please speak to Denise at Holy Trinity. For more information regarding accessing these services please contact the Clergy.

PEW SHEETS - If you would like a family member or friend adding onto the weekly pew prayer sheet, please email Faye at knaresboroughparishoffice@gmail.com with their name. The pew sheets are printed on Wednesdays so for prayer requests after Wednesdays please contact a member of the Clergy.

ONLINE COMPLINE (NIGHT PRAYER) 9PM
Online Compline will be said every Sunday at 9pm. Details on how to join are on our website (see below)

OFFICE CONTACT DETAILS -

Mrs Faye Wright
(Parish Administrator & Safeguarding Officer)
Parish office telephone: 01423 869209
(Office open Monday - Thursday, 8.30am - 1.30pm)
Parish office email: knaresboroughparishoffice@gmail.com

SAFEGUARDING - For any queries or concerns contact Faye Wright (Parish Safeguarding Officer) at knaresboroughsafeguarding@gmail.com Call 01423 869209/07999 076860

Website - https://www.knaresboroughanglicans.org

KNARESBOROUGH ANGLICAN TEAM MINISTRY





Sunday 29th November- First Sunday of Advent

A warm welcome to our service today

If you are visiting with us today, please introduce yourself to the 'welcomers' at the back of the church who will be able to help you with any queries you may have.

If you receive Holy Communion in your own church, you are warmly invited to receive it here. Gluten-Free wafers are available – if you require a gluten-free wafer, please make a 'welcomer' aware before the service who will inform the Clergy.

Intinction – For hygiene purposes and in line with the guidelines from our Diocesan Bishop, we do not allow intinction (dipping wafer into wine). Receiving the Sacrament in 'bread' alone is sufficient to receive Holy Communion.

If you have any mobility issues the clergy are happy to bring communion to you in your pew – please let a 'welcomer' or churchwarden know. In the same way, if you feel you need to, please feel free to sit down at any point during the service.



Help make our Christmas Tree Festival sparkle!

Our Christmas Tree Festival runs from 5–20 December, and there's still time to volunteer. Please get in touch with June Graham at junegraham1961@gmail.com to get involved.

If serving refreshments or baking delicious treats is more your cup of tea, we'd love your help in the HUB at weekends. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of St John's church.

CTF PREVIEW EVENING - Friday 4th December 7pm



Be among the first to experience the stunning displays and beautifully decorated trees. Enjoy live festive entertainment from the Songbirds while savouring a glass of mulled wine and a traditional mince pie.Take part in our fantastic raffle plus an opportunity to win a grand prize of £150.

Admission £5



A big Thank You to everyone who contributed so generously to our Team collection for our CMS partners in Guatemala. We have been able to send £400 as a gift to Azaria and David, to celebrate the birth of Alicia Joy in May.

BENEFICE CONFIRMATION SERVICE



Join us for a joint benefice service at St John's Church, Knaresborough, on Sunday 13 December at 9.30am. This special confirmation service will be led by Bishop Anna, and we warmly encourage everyone to attend this celebration. We look forward to welcoming you.

Please note there are no other services other than the 8am BCP service on this date.

What's on this week… **WEDNESDAY 2nd DECEMBER**

10.00am - Holy Trinity Church, Knaresborough – BCP Holy Communion
11.00am - St John's Church, Knaresborough – BCP Holy Communion

SUNDAY 6th DECEMBER – 2nd Sunday in Advent
8.00am - St John's Church, Knaresborough – BCP Holy Communion
9.00am - St Mary's Church, Goldsborough – Family Communion
10.30am - St John's Church, Knaresborough – Praise & Worship
10.30am - Holy Trinity, Knaresborough – Holy Communion
10.30am – St Paul & St Margaret's, Nidd – BCP Holy Communion

There will be no wholeness and healing service this month instead we are holding a Blue Christmas Service on Monday 21st December at 4pm at St John's, All are welcome to attend.

TODAYS BIBLE READINGS

God speaks to each of us individually. We need to listen so we can hear what He is saying.

Isaiah 64:1-9

Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains would tremble before you! As when fire sets twigs ablaze and causes water to boil, come down to make your name known to your enemies and cause the nations to quake before you! For when you did awesome things that we did not expect, you came down, and the mountains trembled before you. Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for him. You come to the help of those who gladly do right, who remember your ways. But when we continued to sin against them, you were angry. How then can we be saved? All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away. No one calls on your name or strives to lay hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us and have given us over to our sins. Yet you, Lord, are our Father. We are the clay; you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be angry beyond measure, Lord; do not remember our sins forever. Oh, look on us, we pray, for we are all your people.

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. For in him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge— God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Mark 13. 24-end

"But in those days, following that distress, "'the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.' "At that time people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens. "Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that it is near, right at the door. Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. "But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. It's like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with their assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch. "Therefore, keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back—whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to everyone: 'Watch!'"

A prayer for the Middle East

God of mercy,
look with compassion on all who are affected by the present conflict.
Grant insight to hardened hearts,
comfort to the fearful,
protection to those in danger,
and hope to those who are despairing,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for Ukraine,
Grant comfort to those in fear,
wisdom to Leaders,
and protection for all your children.
We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE COLLECT

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O Lord our God,
make us watchful and keep us faithful
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;
that, when he shall appear,
he may not find us sleeping in sin
but active in his service
and joyful in his praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

We hold in our prayers (as of 18th November):

All conflicts and natural disasters around the world.
King Charles and the royal family, our Diocese, Bishops, Churches & Clergy.
Our local schools, especially for St John's CofE and Goldsborough CofE primaries,
We pray for the NHS; care homes, businesses and charities.
Our mission partners: New Life Ghana and Azaria, David and Alicia Joy Pocasangre, CMS workers in Guatemala and their daughter.
Our loved ones and friends.

Those who have asked for prayer:

(we keep names on for 4 weeks until asked to remove or placed on again)

Joyce Wild[4], David Blackshaw-Howell & family[4], Alex & Peter Lambley[3], Eileen Peters[3], Harry Hunter[4], Freda Lyon[4], Patrick White[4]

Those whose anniversary of death we keep (29th November – 5th December)

Elizabeth Woodward, John Slights, Ronald Watson, Gertie Little, Hester Kippax, Glyn McCormick, Malcolm Kaye, Graham Hurst, John McMullan.